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REGIONAL PARK AND
OPEN SPACE DISTRICT**

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

November 01, 2016

The Honorable Board of Directors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

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LORI GLASGOW
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Directors:

**ALLOCATE SPECIFIED, CITIES, AND COUNTY EXCESS FUNDS AVAILABLE TO THE FIFTH
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT AND AUTHORIZE AWARD AND ADMINISTRATION OF GRANTS
FOR VARIOUS PROJECTS
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5 - 3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Approval of the recommended actions will allocate amounts not to exceed \$1,500,000 in Specified Excess Funds, \$1,000,000 in Cities Excess Funds, and \$4,128,000 in County Excess Funds, available to the Fifth Supervisorial District, for a total not to exceed \$6,628,000 in grants for improvements and development projects. Approval will also allow advance payment of grant funds to the County of Los Angeles, Department of Parks and Recreation under specified conditions for the Marshall Canyon Golf Course Improvements Project.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Find that the proposed projects, excluding the Frank G. Bonelli Regional Park Equestrian Center Improvements and Via Princessa Park Development Projects, are categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons stated herein and the reasons reflected in the records of the projects.
2. Allocate Specified Excess Funds available to the Fifth Supervisorial District in an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 to the Department of Parks and Recreation for the Frank G. Bonelli Regional Park General Improvements Project.
3. Allocate Cities Excess Funds available to the Fifth Supervisorial District in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 to the City of Santa Clarita for the Via Princessa Park Development Project.

4. Allocate County Excess Funds available to the Fifth Supervisorial District in an amount not to exceed \$4,128,000 to the Department of Parks and Recreation for the identified projects.

5. Authorize the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, in his capacity as Director of the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District, to award grants to the identified recipients and projects, for a total not to exceed \$6,628,000, when applicable conditions have been met, and to administer the grants as of the date of award and pursuant to guidelines in the Procedural Guide for Specified, Per Parcel, and Excess Funds Projects; otherwise funds shall remain in the Excess Funds account.

6. Authorize that the \$1,500,000 of County Excess Funds recommended for allocation to the Marshall Canyon Golf Course Improvement Projects, may be advanced to the County of Los Angeles, Department of Parks and Recreation on the condition that those funds and any interest thereon be used for the project above, and that any documentation normally required for reimbursement will be required prior to any expenditure of the advanced funds being approved by the Regional Park and Open Space District.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions will allocate amounts not to exceed \$1,500,000 in Specified Excess Funds, \$1,000,000 in Cities Excess Funds, and \$4,128,000 in County Excess Funds, available to the Fifth Supervisorial District pursuant to the Los Angeles County Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 (1996 Proposition), to the following recipients and projects:

Specified Excess Funds:

- \$1,500,000 to the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) for the Frank G. Bonelli Regional Park General Improvements Project;

Cities Excess Funds:

- \$1,000,000 to the City of Santa Clarita for the Via Princessa Park Development Project;

County Excess Funds to DPR:

- \$550,000 for the Richard Rioux Park General Improvements Project;
- \$150,000 for the Val Verde Park General Improvements Project;
- \$250,000 for the Jake Kuredjian General Improvements Project;
- \$185,000 for the Del Valle Park General Improvements Project;
- \$143,000 for the Castaic Sports Complex Pathway Project;
- \$350,000 for the Frank G. Bonelli Regional Park Equestrian Center General Improvements Project;
- \$1,500,000 for the Marshall Canyon Golf Course Improvements Project; and
- \$1,000,000 for the Castaic Lake Recreational Area General Improvements Project.

It is also recommended, that the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation (Director) be authorized to award grants to the identified grantees when applicable conditions have been met, such as grantee qualifications, consistency between the projects and requirements of the 1996 Proposition, and grantee agreement with California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requirements for the projects, if applicable, and to administer the grants pursuant to the Procedural Guide

previously approved by your Board.

It is also recommended, that the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District (RPOSD) be allowed to disburse grant funds on an advance basis and thereby enable DPR to commence pre-construction, construction, and completion activities on the Marshall Canyon Golf Course Improvement Projects.

DPR will maintain the advance funds in an account separate from any other funds, and will provide RPOSD with quarterly status reports including a detailed description of all activities on the account. The advance funds and any interest thereon will be used for the Marshall Canyon Golf Course Improvements Project. All documentation normally required for reimbursement will be required before RPOSD will approve any expenditure of the advance funds.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The proposed recommendations further the Board-approved County Strategic Plan Goal of Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability (Goal 1) by enhancing health-promoting activities through various improvement and development projects in the Fifth Supervisorial District.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Sufficient appropriation for the grants in an amount not to exceed \$6,628,000 is budgeted in the Fifth Supervisorial District's portion of RPOSD's Excess Funds Project Fund, HD6.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The 1996 Proposition requires that agencies to which funds were allocated under the Safe Neighborhood Parks Propositions of 1992 and 1996 encumber all such funds prior to receiving grants of Excess Funds. DPR and Santa Clarita each meet this requirement.

The 1996 Proposition provides a method for determining each fiscal year the amount of funds available in the following fiscal year to fund capital improvements projects in addition to the amounts specifically identified for projects in the Safe Neighborhood Parks Propositions of 1992 and 1996. The recommended Excess Funds grants will be funded from the Excess Funds available to the Fifth Supervisorial District for Specified, Cities, and County Projects.

The Board may establish additional conditions on grants of Excess Funds. The Director would be authorized to award grants to the various grantees when all applicable conditions have been met. Any funds allocated by the Board, but not encumbered by award of a grant contract in the same fiscal year, shall be available for allocation by the Board in the following fiscal year.

On June 2, 2009, the Board approved the Procedural Guide for governing the administration of District grants. The Procedural Guide will also govern the administration of the recommended additional grants.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

All public agency projects funded by RPOSD are required to comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as a condition of the grant. The lead agency is responsible for preparing the appropriate environmental documentation for the project. The County is the lead

agency for the Departments of Parks and Recreation proposed projects. City of Santa Clarita is the lead agency for the Via Princessa Park Development Project.

On June 30, 2015, the Board approved the Richard Rioux Park General Improvements, Val Verde Park General Improvements, Jake Kuredjian General Improvements, Del Valle General Improvements, and Castaic Sports Complex Pathway, and found these projects to be categorically exempt from CEQA.

The appropriate environmental documents for the Frank G. Bonelli Regional Park Equestrian Center Improvements and the Via Princessa Park Development Projects will be brought to the Board for consideration prior to requesting construction authorization.

The proposed Frank G. Bonelli Regional Park General Improvements Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of replacement of picnic shelters, restroom roofing and bridges, refurbishment of exterior of the restrooms and lifeguard station, demolition of various unused and run-down structures and related improvements, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Sections 15301 (a), (d) and (l)(4) and 15302 (c) of the State CEQA Guidelines and Classes 1 (c),(d) and (h)(4) and 2 (e) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project consists of minor alteration of existing public structures and facilities and replacement of existing facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity.

The proposed Marshall Canyon Golf Course Improvements Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of improvements to the parking and clubhouse entry area, banquet room, café, pro shop, and public restrooms, and related improvements, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Section 15301 (d) of the State CEQA Guidelines and Class 1 (c) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project consists of minor alteration of existing public structures and facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use.

The proposed Castaic Lake Recreation Area Improvements Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of replacement of picnic shelters and restroom roofing, refurbishment of the exterior of the restrooms and parking lot, and related improvements, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Sections 15301 (a) and (d) and 15302 (c) of the State CEQA Guidelines and Classes 1 (c) and (d) and 2 (e) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project consists of minor alteration of existing public structures and facilities and replacement of existing facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Grant Project Agreements will be entered into and administered under authority delegated to the Director and pursuant to the Procedural Guide approved by the Board in 2009 only if all applicable conditions of the grants have been met and the Project Agreements have been approved as to form by County Counsel.

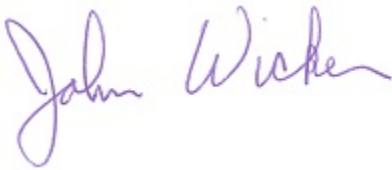
IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The recommended actions will have no impact on any other projects funded by RPOSD. The recommended projects will promote healthy activities in public spaces in the Fifth Supervisorial District.

CONCLUSION

Please instruct the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board to return one adopted copy of this action to the Chief Executive Office, Capital Programs Division, and to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Respectfully submitted,



JOHN WICKER

Director

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County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors